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I have arranged these family history notes with a fond hope that they may help to influence you to walk with a certain gallant dignity upon the earth.

While the notes follow a simple chronological cadence I trust that you will imagine along with them other notes, the sounds of: the scrape of a ship's boat upon the shore, a shrill Indian war-whoop, the rattle of musketry, the ring of an axe, the crackle of fire in a hearth, the lowing of cattle, the clanking wheting of a scythe, the heartfelt prayer of thanksgiving, the creak of wagon wheels, the crunching of mill stones, the whir of machinery, the toot of an automobile horn, the crack of a teacher's ruler, the bang of a gavel in legislative halls, the inspiring voice of a preacher on a Sabbath morning — all the myriad of sounds or notes which compose the great symphony which we call Americanization.

Now this great American opus is by no means finished; it continues with mounting power. May God bless you as you play your part in it.

LAURENCE LEE WILSON.

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WILSON

Genealogists inform us that the Wilson family originated among the nobility of Denmark (Wil plus Son signifying "Son of the Resolute"). Wilsons were in the expeditions on which the Danes made their conquest of England during the ninth century. One of them settled in the Borderland of Scotland where the family was associated as Septs with the Gunn Clan and wore its tartan. Its badge was "Juniper" and its motto "Aut Pax Aut Bellum."

Gradually the family grew and spread and its name appears in Scotch history. When (cir. 1608) James I., King of England, in an attempt to subjugate Ireland, settled Scotchmen in the northern part of that denuded country, Wilsons were among them, and it was there in the town of Letterkenny, County Donegal, that John Wilson was born. He was a farmer and married a certain Jane and their children were: William, a doctor; Mary Jane; John, who married Martha Miller; Robert, who married Dorcas; George, who married Hindman; Joshua, who married Cynthia Lindley; James, who married Elizabeth Porter; Henry; Smith, who married Latta Jane Corbet; and David, who married Elizabeth Heck. The family migrated to America and settled in Pennsylvania.

Smith Wilson (b. 1784; d. 1844), son of John Wilson, settled in Fayette county and was a weaver and a farmer. He married Latta Jane Corbet (b. 1793; d. 1864), a belle of New Town, Va. Their children were: Margaret Matilda (b. Feb. 29, 1809), who became Mrs. Samuel Parker Chalfant; James Corbet (b. Oct. 8, 1812), who married Elizabeth Jackman; Eliza Jane (b. 1815), who became Mrs. John Allen Baird; William (b. May 1, 1822), who married (first) Eliza Corry, and (second) Louisa Newton Kennedy; John (b. Nov. 3, 1824), who married Melinda Price Mitchell; Martha Anne (b. Feb. 6, 1828), who became Mrs. George Samuel Creel; Smith Wolfington (b. April 4, 1830), who married Margaret Ferguson Wilson; George Washington (b. Oct. 1832), who married Mary Moss Davis; and Samuel Parker (b. 1835), who married Louisa Kuran Anderson.

The name Corbet is a familiar one in English history, the first one mentioned being Roger Corbeau (son of Hugh, head of a great Norman family of Pays de Caux), who accompanied William I. in the Conquest of England. Here the name was

changed to Corbet. William Corbet, the eldest son of Roger, was seated at Wattlesborough. His second son, Sir Robert Corbet, Kt., had for his inheritance the castle and estate of Caus, with a large portion of his father's domain. He was the father of Robert Corbet, also of Caus Castle, who accompanied Richard I. to the siege of Acre, and then bore for arms the two ravens, as now borne by all his descendants. From these Robert derived the Corbets of Legh-juxta-Caus, for centuries one of the leading families of County Salop (Shropshire). Some of the Corbets went to Wales and London. Their motto is: "Deus pascit corvos." James Corbet, the father of our Latta Jane Corbet, was a notable sea captain of his time.

James Corbet Wilson (b. Oct. 8, 1812; d. Dec. 15, 1871), son of Smith Wilson, was a mason contractor and farmer, who lived near New Salem, Fayette County, Pa., and married Elizabeth Jackman (b. Oct. 21, 1828; d. March 12, 1870), on December 22, 1847. The grandfather of Elizabeth Jackman was a pioneer, who emigrated from the Rhine country, Germany. The children of James Corbet Wilson and Elizabeth Jackman were: Mary Jane (b. Dec. 16, 1848); George Smith (b. Dec. 11, 1850); Anthony Jackman (b. July 2, 1853); Harriett Steele (b. Oct. 8, 1855); Samuel Morton (b. Oct. 9, 1857); James Corbet (b. Dec. 3, 1859); Elmer (b. Jan. 21, 1862); Robert Conover (b. July 5, 1865); and Stella (b. Jan. 20, 1868).

In 1854, James Corbet Wilson moved to Bloomington, Ill., and purchased a 160-acre farm, four miles east of Towanda, and built a brick house. As a contracting mason he built Major's College, the plow factory and other buildings in Bloomington, also the Presbyterian Church at Towanda. He served as a school teacher and was prominent in politics and an active elder in the Presbyterian Church.

THE CHILDREN OF JAMES CORBET WILSON

George Smith Wilson (b. Dec. 11, 1850; d. Aug. 4, 1911), a teacher, merchant and broker, and elder in the Presbyterian Church, moved westward by way of Greenfield and Creston, Iowa; Omaha, Neb.; Scott City, Kan.; Colorado Springs, Colo.; San Jose, Oakland and Berkeley, Calif. On December 25, 1879, in Creston, Iowa, he married Stella Perry De Long (b. May 19, 1856; d. 1930), who was the daughter of Rev. Charles Henry De Long and Rebecca Perry Brown. (For the De Long and Brown family histories, see pages

9 and 13). Their children were: Ralph Elmer (b. Jan. 18, 1883); Laurence Lee (b. Sept. 16, 1885); Frank Henry, (b. Feb. 29, 1888); and Edna Brown (b. May 10, 1890).

Ralph Elmer Wilson (b. Jan. 10, 1883), born in Greenfield, Iowa, attended the University of California, and has been a Y. M. C. A. director, insurance and real estate broker and an elder in the Presbyterian Church. On May 12, 1914, he married Ruth Alden Houston, a member of the famous Sam Houston pioneer family of Texas. One of Sam Houston's friends and associates was Stephen Perry, a distant cousin of R. E. Wilson (see page 15 on the Brown family). Their son, Perry Dale (b. March 1, 1915), graduated from the University of California in 1938. They reside in Orinda, Calif.

Laurence Lee Wilson (b. Sept. 16, 1885), born in Omaha, Neb., a graduate of the University of California and McCormick Theological Seminary of Chicago, Ill., has been a minister, builder, mining geologist in the Philippine Islands and an amateur archaeologist, and is still unmarried.

Frank Henry Wilson (b. Feb. 29, 1888), born in Scott City, Kan., a graduate of the University of California, now is an agriculturist, merchant and financier and resides in Oakland, Calif. On May 5, 1914, he married Irene Webster, daughter of James Alvin Webster (b. June 21, 1844), son of Captain A. B. Webster of Maine, who was of early pioneer stock from England. Farrington Square was named after one of Irene's ancestors. Their children are: Barbara Irene (b. Nov. 15, 1915), married on October 9, 1937, to William Otis Pettis (b. Mar. 10, 1902, in Benzie, Mich.), now of Tujunga, Calif., their daughter, Mary Joan Irene Pettis (b. June 5, 1938); and Webster De Long, engineering student.

Edna Brown Wilson (b. May 10, 1890), born at Colorado Springs, Colo., attended the University of California, served in the Oakland Public Library; was married on September 10, 1915, to Alfred B. Kayser (b. Aug. 8, 1892), an expert accountant. Their child is Patricia Anne (b. July 29, 1925), and they reside in Palo Alto, Calif.

Anthony Jackman Wilson (b. July 2, 1853; d. June 29, 1908), newspaper editor and prominent advertising broker in Chicago, and a Mason, married Emma Mott (b. May 3, 1857), daughter of David Seaman Mott, fellow newspaper man. Their childen are: Mary Louise (b. Sept. 3, 1881); and Earl Mott (b. June 10, 1883).

Mary Louise Wilson (b. Sept. 3, 1881; d. July 27, 1919),

born in Bloomington, Ill., married July 15, 1898, Alfred Henry Taylor (b. Jan. 5, 1879), manufacturer's representative. Their children are: Olive Eloise (b. Oct. 28, 1899), who married John Wilcox Wilson, their children being: Louise (b. 1923); and Jack (b. 1930); Alfred Wilson (b. Feb. 19, 1902; d. Jan. 5, 1903); Marian Wilson (b. Mar. 12, 1904), who married Chauncey McClain; and Jane Wilson (b. Aug. 26, 1906), who married Bates L. Weifert.

Earl Mott Wilson (b. June 10, 1883), born in Bloomington, Ill., an advertising manager, married Amy Pharr Stark, (b. Sept. 10, 1890), on June 17, 1908. She is a daughter of William Pharr Stark, member of an old pioneer family of Revolutionary War fame, and noted nurserymen. Their children are: Amy Jane (b. May 3, 1909), married November 3, 1932, to John Alexander Mathews, Jr.; Isabelle Ann (b. Mar. 28, 1917; d. Aug. 29, 1934); and Jackman Stark (b. April 2, 1920).

Harriet Steele Wilson (b. Oct. 18, 1855; d. Aug. 29, 1901), born at Bloomington, Ill., was a teacher and married Samuel Hilts (b. Jan. 3, 1840) on January 15, 1878. They lived on their farm three miles east of Towanda, Ill., later on moving to Boulder, Colo., and thence to San Jose, Calif., where Mrs. Hilts died. Mr. Hilts lived with his children in San Francisco until his death. Their children were: Roy Wilson (b. Nov. 9, 1879); Glenn Ross (b. June 2, 1889; d. June 30, 1889); and Bertha Marian (b. June 2, 1892).

Roy Wilson Hilts, born at Towanda, Ill., graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Science from the University of Illinois, in 1904, and took graduate work in Leland Stanford Junior University. He entered the employment of the United States Pure Food Department and rendered such excellent service that he became inspector of all United States Agricultural Chemical Laboratories west of the Mississippi, with headquarters at San Francisco. In October, 1923, he was married in San Francisco to Gertrude Donnely, but died on January 12, 1924.

Bertha Marian Hilts, born in Towanda, Ill., graduated from Rockford College and is the district health nurse of Santa Cruz, California.

James Corbet Wilson (b. Dec. 3, 1859; d. Dec. 13, 1917), born in Towanda, Ill., farmer and merchant. He married Mary L. Baum September 15, 1883. Their children are: Clarence Corbet (b. July 23, 1884), who married Jennie Rose Porter, their child being Helen Eugenia (b. Mar. 13, 1904); and Floyd (b. Mar. 25, 1886; d. Jan. 16, 1902). The second wife

of James Corbet Wilson was Ella Golden (b. Sept. 10, 1865). whom he married on October 17, 1893. Their children are: Imogene (b. April 5, 1898), who married Vernon Elbert; Lawrence William (b. Oct. 1, 1904); and twins, Pearl and Ruby (died in infancy).

Elmer Wilson (b. Jan. 21, 1862; d. Dec. 16, 1923), born in Towanda, Ill., a newspaper and advertising agent, married Reba (Challenger) Kimball, widow of William Dana Kimball, her child being Charles Coane.

Robert Conover Wilson (b. July 5, 1865; d. Dec. 7, 1932), born at Towanda, Ill., graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Science in 1890 from the University of Illinois and then from University of Pennsylvania Medical Department in May, 1893. He practiced his profession in Chicago and became a prominent physician, being at one time instructor in clinical medicine in the Northwestern University Medical School, Chicago, and did post-graduate work in Vienna, Austria, in 1905, 1908 and 1911. On April 26, 1905, he married Mrs. Louise (Crepin) Hoyt (b. Dec. 11, 1865), daughter of Ernest Eugene and Mary Crepin, of Chicago. They had no children but traveled extensively at home and abroad and enjoyed the best music together until his death. He gathered much of the data regarding the Wilson family which I have used. Mrs. Wilson now resides in the Stevens Hotel, Chicago, Ill.

Stella Wilson (b. Jan. 20, 1868; d. March 10, 1938), born at Towanda, Ill., married Francis Martin Richardson (b. Aug. 29, 1860), on September 1, 1892, their child being Francis Edward (b. Jan. 23, 1896). He married Helen Swift Baylis, and has one daughter, Barbara. They now live at Shelbyville, Ill.

OTHER CHILDREN OF SMITH WILSON

Eliza Jane Wilson (b. 1815; d. 1874), born at Dunlap's Creek, Fayette County, Pa., daughter of Smith Wilson and Latta Jane Corbet, married John Allen Baird (d. Dec. 17, 1884). He was a miller, first at Merrittstown, Pa., and later at Minneapolis. He was also an elder in the Presbyterian Church. Their children were: James William (b. 1839; d. 1909), served in the Civil War, married, had two sons and two daughters; and Martha Baird, a former teacher in the public schools of Minneapolis.

William Wilson (b. May 1, 1822; d. April 6, 1888), another son of Smith Wilson and Latta Jane Corbet, born at Dunlap's Creek, Fayette County, Pa., was a mason and a farmer. He was married first to Eliza Corry, who died in 1857. Their children were: Belle, daughter; and James Correy, son. William Wilson was married a second time to Louisa (Newton) Kennedy on November 23, 1864.

Belle Wilson, born in Fayette County, Pa., married John Stiles, at Bloomington, Ill., their child being Lena Stiles. Belle was married a second time to Doctor Williams at Santa Barbara, Calif.

James Corry Wilson, born in Fayette County, Pa., a merchant. On June 21, 1883, he married Mattie Viola Newton, their child being a daughter, Florence Belle.

Florence Belle Wilson, born at Cooksville, McLean County, Ill., on December 31, 1908, married at Cooksville to Claude R. Stranger and they had a son, Harlan Newton (b. Mar. 11, 1914).

John Wilson (b. Nov. 3, 1824; d. May 29, 1854), son of Smith Wilson and Latta Jane Corbet, born at Dunlap's Creek, Fayette County, Pa., a clerk, married Melinda Price Mitchell (b. Aug. 23, 1823) on November 15, 1849, at New Salem, Fayette County, Pa., their child being Myra Belle.

Myra Belle Wilson, born at New Salem, Fayette County, Pa., on April 29, 1873, became Mrs. John Rosser Atchison, who was a merchant pharmacist. Their children were: Cora May, who graduated from London High School in 1892, and from Wilson College in 1896, with degree of Bachelor of Arts; Eloise Rosser, who graduated from London High School in 1894 and attended Wilson College three years; and Evelyn Ruth, who graduated from London High School in 1898, and from Wilson College in 1902, with degree of Bachelor of Arts, married D. Frank Cofrode of Pottstown, Pa.

Martha Anne Wilson (b. Feb. 6, 1828; d. 1886), daughter of Smith Wilson and Latta Jane Corbet, born at Dunlap's Creek, Fayette County, Pa., married November 24, 1864, George Samuel Creel (b. 1824; d. 1896), a farmer; their daughter was Mattie (b. June 4, 1866), who married George Hodge and their children are: Russel A. Hodge and William C. Hodge.

Smith Wolfington Wilson (b. April 4, 1830; d. Mar. 11, 1913), son of Smith Wilson and Latta Jane Corbet, born at

Dunlap's Creek, Fayette County, Pa., a mason contractor, married Margaret Ferguson Wilson (b. Aug. 15, 1840; d. Feb. 3, 1916), on January 10, 1866. Their children were: a daughter (b. June 6, 1867), died in infancy; Charles Corbet (b. Jan. 17, 1872); Clara Belle (b. Jan. 21, 1874); Henry Jason (b. July 9, 1877).

Charles Corbet Wilson (b. Jan. 17, 1872), born at Bloomington, Ill., merchant, married Louise Christine Weiderbacker January 15, 1908, at Mt. Pulaski, Logan County, Ill., their child being Katherine Elizabeth (b. April 2, 1911).

Clara Belle Wilson (b. Jan. 21, 1874), born at Bloomington, Ill., a piano teacher and church organist.

Henry Jason Wilson (b. July 9, 1877), born at Bloomington, Ill., was an accountant.

George Washington Wilson (b. Oct. 1832; d. April 15, 1895), born at Dunlap's Creek, Fayette County, Pa., married Mary Moss Davis in November, 1872, at Bloomington, Ill. Their children are May Matilda, Warren and Eva. Warren Wilson, born at Bloomington, Ill., became a real estate broker and moved to Stuttgart, Ark.

Samuel Parker Wilson (b. 1835; d. 1908), son of Smith Wilson and Latta Jane Corbet, born at Dunlap's Creek, Fayette County, Pa., a mason and merchant, married in 1866 Louisa (Kuran) Anderson. Their children were: Lola, who married Riley J. Murphy; and Ruby, who married Mr. Barnes.

De LONG

(See page 4)

There is a strong family tradition that the ancestral De Long was a Frenchman, and my grandfather De Long informed me that our immigrant ancestor was one of the French Huguenots who, during the religious persecutions in the sixteenth century, sought religious freedom in Holland and afterwards came to America. If so, he found happiness as well as freedom, for he, Aryan Fransen (Aaron the Frenchman) married Rachel Jansen Pyer, a native of Amsterdam, Holland, and they settled in a Dutch colony up the Hudson River at Kingston. The Reformed Dutch Church records indicate that they had ten children: seven girls and three boys, Frans, Jan and Jonas.

Frans, christened April 24, 1681, married Marytjen Van Schack and moved to Poughkeepsie, Dutchess County, where were born: Arie, Anne, Rachel, Niclaas, Lowrens, Jannetjen, Marytjen, Lidia, Elizabeth, Catherine, Elias and Geesjen.

Arie De Long (signifies the Tall) was baptized on February 4, 1705, in Poughkeepsie, and married Anne Wilsey. Their children were: Ruth, Frans, Cornelius, Martin, Jac, Lawrence, Mary, Jene and Elias.

Elias De Long was christened on February 27, 1746, served in the Revolutionary War, and was a man of some influence and means. He married Heiltje Burhans, of Beekman, in 1771. Their children were: Conrad, John E., Heiltze, and Sara.

John E. De Long, a blacksmith, was born on April 10, 1774. He married Elizabeth Ruger on October 23, 1795. Their children were: Joshua (b. Sept. 12, 1797); Elias (b. June 7, 1802); and Sara (b. Feb. 28, 1800). Elizabeth Ruger having died, he married one Mehitable in 1819. Their children were: Simon, John and Lewis.

Joshua De Long, who was born in Poughkeepsie and acquired considerable property, married Sena Odell at Washington, Dutchess County, on July 5, 1820.

The Odell family traces its lineage back to William the Conqueror and Charles the Bold, who is said to be descended from Priam of Troy (about 2000 B. C.). The Odell arms are: "Argent, three crescents gules," and the Crest is: "An eagle displayed gules." The family home was near London at Odell, where the Castle was built after the Norman Conquest in 1066. It was from there that William Odell migrated to America and in 1639 settled in Concord, Mass. One of his sons,William, moved to New York state where he married and had children. His branch of the family grew with the years and has been prominent in the history and development of New York state. Jacob Odell (b. 1756; d. 1846), was a brigadier general in the Revolutionary War and Benjamin Barker Odell (b. 1854; d. 1926), was a prominent business man and politician and became Governor of New York.

Joshua De Long sold out his property in Poughkeepsie and moved to Pleasant Valley, New York, where were born: Charles Henry (b. June 2, 1821; d. May 17, 1900); Ira Odell; John Walker; and George Washington. In 1832, Joshua De Long sold his farm and moved his family to Palmyra, New York, where their other children, Rev. Alfred B. and Elvira E. were born. The parents and all the children except Charles lie buried there in the family plot.

Charles Henry De Long served as a Presbyterian minister for forty-eight years, his last pastorate being in Westminster Presbyterian Church, Colorado Springs, Colo., and he died at the home of his daughter, Stella Perry Wilson, in San Jose, Calif. On December 27, 1855, in Delaware, Ohio, he married Rebecca Perry Brown. The record of the Brown family begins on page 13. Their children were: Stella Perry (b. May 19, 1856; d. 1930); who married George Smith Wilson (see page 4-5) in Creston, Iowa; Fannie (who died in infancy); Nettie R. (died at the age of 6); Emily L. (born Mar. 10, 1869); and Charles Henry (born at Waukeegan, Ill., August 16, 1873).

Emily L. De Long, daughter of Charles Henry De Long and Rebecca Perry Brown, in Colorado Springs, Colo., on February 15, 1894, became the wife of Cyrus Edgar Wentworth. He was a master painter and merchant, and was born in Illinois in 1852.

The name of Wentworth is said to have been of ancient Anglo-Saxon origin and taken by its first bearers from the name of their residence in Yorkshire, England.

This family is believed to have originated with one Rynold de Wyntewade or Reginald de Wentworth of Yorkshire, England, prior to the time of the Norman Conquest of England by William the Conqueror in 1066. He was succeeded by his eldest son Henry, who was the father of Richard, who had Michael, who was succeeded by his son Henry, who was the father of Hugh, who was succeeded in the year 1200 by his eldest son William, who was the father of Robert, who married Emma de Woodhouse, Yorkshire, and had issue by her of William, who married Beatrice Thakel and had issue by her of William and Richard, of whom the last was Bishop of London and Lord High Chancellor in the early fourteenth century.

William Wentworth, eldest son of William and Beatrice and heir of Wentworth and Woodhouse, is said to have died about 1295, leaving issue by his first wife Dionysia de Rotherfield of Sir William and John, of whom the first married Isabel Pollington and also had two sons, Sir William and John, of whom the first married Isabel Hooton and was ancestor of the Earls Wentworth of Strafford, the Wentworths of Wentworth Castle, Yorkshire, the Barons Raby, the Viscounts Wentworth, and numerous other branches, chiefly in Yorkshire.

John Wentworth, younger brother of the last mentioned Sir William, made his home at Elmsall, Yorkshire, and married

Joan le Tyas in the early fourteenth century. He was succeeded by his eldest son John, who married Agnes Dronsfield, heiress of lands in West Bretton, Yorkshire, and was the father by her of John, Sir Roger, Thomas, and Richard.

The Wentworth family Arms: "Sable, a chevron between three leopards' faces or." And the Crest: 'A griffin passant, wings elevated argent."

John Wentworth of North Elmsall, eldest son of John and Agnes and ancestor of the American line, married Elizabeth Beaumont and had issue by her of John, who married Elizabeth Calverley and had Thomas and Jane, of whom the first maried Jane Mirfield and died about 1522, leaving issue by her of Sir John, Roger, Oliver, William, Thomas and several daughters, of whom the third son Oliver resided in Lincolnshire and was the father by his wife Jane of William and Francis, of whom the first had issue by his first wife, the Widow Ellen (nee Gilby) Ferrars of Thomas, Oliver, and Christopher, of whom the last married Catherine Marbury and had issue by her of William, Anne, Faith, Elizabeth, Frances, Francis, Priscilla and Christopher, of whom the first married the Widow Susannah (nee Carter) Fleming and was the father by her of William, Edward and Christopher, of whom the first emigrated to America about 1636.

This well known Elder William Wentworth landed in Boston and moved to Exeter where he was one of the signers of the "Exeter Town Compact" in 1639. A son of this Elder William Wentworth was Ezekiel (b. 1651; d. 1711?). One of his children was John Wentworth (died about 1720), who was Governor of New Hampshire in 1671. One of his sons was Thomas Wentworth, born in Dover, N. H. (b. 1719; d. 1758),and his son Caleb was born in Somersworth, N. H. (b. Oct. 20, 1754; d. April 7, 1830). For the records of the Wentworths in the American Revolutionary War see "Soldiers American Revolution," by G. W. Chamberlain 1897—pages 44 and ff.)

Thomas Wentworth (b. 1784; d. 1864), a son of Caleb was born in Lebanon, Maine, and married Rachael James in 1804. A son Caleb (b. 1814, d. 1878), was also born at Lebanon, Maine, and their son Cyrus Edgar was the one who married Emily L. Wentworth. The couple moved to Canon City, Colo., where on January 2, 1897, their son John Edgar Wentworth was born. Later on they moved to Montrose, Colo., and then to San Diego, Calif.

John Edgar Wentworth was in the American Expeditionary Forces in France, and afterwards graduated from the University of California as a civil engineer. On June 15, 1924, he married Doris Katherine Adams, who was born in

Marlboro, N. H., and comes of old pioneer stock. Her great-great-great-great-grandfather, Lieutenant James Brewer, fought in the battle of Bunker Hill. Their daughter, Mary Elizabeth, was born on May 12, 1925, at Brawley Calif., and they are now living at Ojai, Calif. Mrs. C. E. Wentworth has her home with them.

Charles Henry De Long (b. Aug. 6, 1873), son of Charles Henry De Long and Rebeca Perry Brown, a railroad employee, was married to Mary Chambers (born at Colorado Springs, Colo., August 20, 1875), and their children are: Grace Mildred (b. July 22, 1905), and Charles Perry (b. July 25, 1918); both in Los Angeles, Calif. The family home is now in San Diego, Calif.

Mary Chambers also comes of distinctive ancestry and traces her lineage back to the family of Cardinal Woolsey.

BROWN

(see page 11)

The Brown family (so named from the color of the hair) appears early in Scottish and English history and was prominent during the passing centuries. Its Arms: "Gules, a chevron between three fleurs-de-lis or." And the Crest: "A lion rampant. holding in his dexter fore-paw a fleur-de-lis," while the motto is "Floreat Majestas."

The family multiplied and became numerous and many of them came to America during the colonization period. Peter Brown came over on the Mayflower and James Brown settled in Boston about 1630. Later on Browns moved to Waterford, Conn., and one James Brown served in the Revolutionary War. The children of this James Luke Brown were: James; Parley; Mary, who became Mrs. Sherman; Sarah, who married Colonel Webster; Clarissa, who married Amasa Davis ("First Knight of the Forge" from England); Nancy, who became Mrs. Self; Jesse; and John.

In 1788 James migrated with his family to Ohio, associated with the family of Lieutenant Colonel Robert Oliver and others. They developed a large land grant of the Ohio Land Company in the vicinity of the mouth of the Muskingum River near Marietta and located the towns Waterford and Beverly. James Brown, Sr., built a hotel in 1802 where the Zane Trace crossed the Big Salt Creek.

James Brown, Jr., who was born in Waterford, Conn., and became a major in the War of 1812, and was a justice of the peace, kept a tavern and a store on the Wheeling Road. He married Isabel Oliver in Marietta, Ohio, on October 28, 1800. Isabel Oliver was the daughter of the above mentioned "Col." Robert Oliver (b. 1738; d. 1810) of Conway, Mass., who answered the first alarm in 1775 and joined the Massachussetts forces as a lieutenant and became a lieutenant colonel in the Colonial army (See Lineage Book No. 143230 or 46158 in the D. A. R. Library, Washington, D. C.). He married Molly Walker and went west to Ohio as aforesaid where he developed an important trading post and built a flour mill on Wolf Creek, which is said to have been the first one west of the Alleghenies. He was a prominent figure in the development of the Ohio Valley. He died in Marietta, Ohio.

The children of James Brown and Isabel Oliver were: Hiram J. L. (b. Sept 23, 1801; d. Feb. 3, 1844), who married Rosanna Perry April 1, 1822; James L. (b. Aug. 20, 1807) who married Anne Rankin; Mary W. (b. Dec. 1808; d. July 2, 1892), who married Mr. Ash and later Mr. Shepherd; Sarah K. (b. Sept. 20, 1810), who married W. Sweetzer; and Robert Oliver (b. June 14, 1812), married Oct. 17, 1833, Eliza Palmer.

Hiram J. L. Brown, son of the above James Brown, was a prominent well-to-do farmer who bought and settled a large tract of land four miles north of Delaware, Ohio. Later he moved into Delaware where he had a mercantile business and ran a flour mill one and one-half miles north of town. On April 1, 1822, in Zanesville, Ohio, he married Rosanna Perry (b. Jan. 19, 1796; d. 1861).

Rosanna Perry was the eleventh child of James Perry (b. 1749; d. 1822) and Hannah L. Irwin. Her grandfather, Samuel Perry, and his wife, Annes Watson, migrated from Scotland or Ireland and settled in Fayette County, Pa., in 1741, where he, Samuel Perry, was killed by Indians in 1757. Rosanna Perry had an uncle who was named Oliver H. Perry, which is the same name as that of Commodore Oliver H. Perry, who became famous in the War of 1812; but the family connection has not been established.

The children of Hiram J. L. Brown and Rosanna Perry were: Marie Louise (b. Sept. 30, 1824, who became Mrs. James Lee in 1850, their children being: Hiram W. and Helen Lee of Des Moines, Iowa; Rosa; and Charles; Samuel (died in infancy); James Franklin, who was drowned in the well at the age of six; Sarah (b. Sept. 20, 1830), who married May 15, 1853, her cousin, Stephen Perry; Rebecca Perry (b. March 15, 1833), who married Rev. Chas. Henry De Long in Delaware, Ohio, December 27, 1855; see page 13); James Marshall (b.

June 2, 1835; d. Aug. 25, 1909), who married Lavinia Folger (b. April 10, 1841; d. May 31, 1877), in Massillon, Ohio, and became a prominent lawyer of Toledo, Ohio; and Hiram J. L., Jr. (b. Jan. 9, 1838); married America Rainwater, their children being Eloise and James.

After their marriage Sarah McLean Brown and Stephen Perry joined his cousin, Stephen Austin, who was taking out thirty-two families to help colonize Texas, and they went to live on Perry's plantation, "Peach Point," on the Brazos river, Texas, where she died August 4, 1888. Their children were: James Perry; Henry; Charles; Emily, married Arthur Moore of Houston, Texas; and Modello. Stephen Perry played an important part in early Texas history.

The children of James Marshall Brown and Lavinia Comly Folger are: Amelia (Amy) Heydon (b. Jan. 11, 1868); Walter Folger (b. May 31, 1869), married to Kathryn Hafer Sheldon on September 10, 1903, served as postmaster general during the Hoover administration; Herman James (b. June 30, 1871; d. Feb. 20, 1873); Ralph Perry (b. March 26, 1874), married to Zoe Ellen Harroner on September 10, 1910, their children being: Walter Folger Brown (b. June 14, 1911); and James Marshall Brown (b. July 24, 1915). Walter Folger Brown was married to Janice Golden of Bakersfield, Calif., at Kansas City, Mo., June 14, 1935. Their child, Betty Zoe Brown, was born at Cleveland, Ohio, December 7, 1937.

Walter Folger Brown, son of James Marshall Brown and Lavinia Comly Folger, was born at Massillon, Ohio, on May 31, 1869. The following year the family moved to Toledo, Ohio, where the father practised law and the son, following in his father's footsteps, became a prominent lawyer and politician. He is a Republican and was appointed postmaster general by President Herbert Hoover. He is now practising law in New York City.

Lavinia Comly Folger (b. April 10, 1841; d. May 31, 1887), married to James Marshall Brown, was the daughter of Robert H. Folger and granddaughter of Capt. Mayhew Folger of Nantucket. He was master of "The Topaz" and discovered the descendants of the muntineers of "The Bounty" one day when he was nosing about the South Seas.

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